PTO/SB/08a/b (07-05)
Approved for use through 07/31/2008. OMB 0651-0031
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Substitute for form 1449A/B/PTO

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

(Use as many sheets as necessary)

3 Sheet

Complete if Known							
Application Number	09/961131-Conf. #4504						
Filing Date	September 21, 2001						
First Named Inventor	David J. Gourley						
Art Unit	2162						
Examiner Name	C. Y. T. Truong						
Attorney Docket Number	0109878.00124US1						

.		Document Number	Publication Date	Name of State of	Pages, Columns, Lines, Whe
Examiner Initials*	Oite No.1	Number-Kind Code ² (# known)	MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Relevant Passages or Releva Figures Appear
	AA./	US-4,775,935	10-04-1988	Yourick	
	AB*	US-4,868,733	09-19-1989	Fujisawa et al.	
	AC*	UŞ-5,241,671	08-31-1993	Reed et al.	
	AD*	US ₁ 5,418,717	05-23-1995	Su et al.	
	AE*	US-5,418,951	05-23-1995	Damashek	
	AF*	US-5,440,742	08-08-1995	Schwanke	
	AG*	US-5,485,621	01-16-1996	Schwanke	
	AH*	US-5,544,049	08-06-1996	Henderson et al.	
		US-5,546,576	08-13-1996	Cochrane et al.	
		US-5,548,506	08-20-1996		
	AK*	US-5,590,269	12-31-1996		
	AL*	US-5,600,829		Tsatalos et al.	
		US-5,630,125		Zellweger	
		US-5,634,128	05-27-1997		
		US-5,675,784		Maxwell et al.	
		US-5,696,916 \			
		US-5,724,571		Woods	
		US-5,740,425		Povilus	
		US-5,749,081		Whiteis	
		US-5,764,975		Taniguchi et al.	
	-	US-5,812,998		Tsutsumi et al.	
		US-5,835,905	11-10-1998		
		US-5,852,822		Srinivasan et al.	
		US-5,864,845	01-26-1999	Voorhees et al.	
		US-5,864,846	01-26-1999	Voorhees et al.	
		US-5,864,863	01-26-1999		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
		US-5,870,746		Knutson et al.	
		US-5,873,075		Cochrane et al.	
		US-5,875,440	02-10-1999	Coogerman et al.	
		US-5,875,446		Brown et al.	
	AC11	US-5,878,423		Anderson et al.	
	AE1*	US-5,893,104		Srinivasan et al.	
		US-5,895,470		Pirolli et al.	
		US-5,897,639		Greef et al.	
		US-5,920,859		Li Miller et al.	-
		US-5,926,811			
		US-5,940,821		Wical	
		US-5,943,670	08-24-1999		
		US-5,950,189	09-07-1999	Cohen et al.	
		US-5,970,489		Jacobson et al.	
		US-5,978,788		Castelli et al.	
		US-5,978,794		Agrawal et al.	
				Hirsch	
		US-5,983,223		Perlman	
	AS1"	US-5,986,655	11-16-1999	Chiu et al.	

Signature

2118708

PTO/SB/08a/b (07-05)
Approved for use through 07/31/2006, OMB 0651-0031
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Substi	tute for form 1449A/B/I	PTO		Complete if Known		
Q				Application Number	09/961131-Conf. #4504	
ŧΝΙ	FORMATIO	N DIS	SCLOSURE	Filing Date	September 21, 2001	
STATEMENT BY APPLICANT				First Named Inventor	David J. Gourley	
				Art Unit	2162	
	(Use as many s	heets as	necessary)	Examiner Name	C. Y. T. Truong	
Sheet	2	of	3	Attorney Docket Number	0109878.00124US1	

<u></u>		US-5,987,468	11-16-1999		
L		US-5,987,470		Meyers et al.	
		US-5,991,756	11-23-1999		
	AW1	US-6,006,217	12-21-1999	Lumsden	i
	<u> • </u>				
		US-6,006,218		Breese et al.	
		US-6,006,222	12-21-1999	Culliss	
	AZ1°	US-6,006,225		Bowman et al.	
		US-6,009,424		Lepage et al.	·
		US-6,012,006		Ohneda et al.	
		US-6,014,639	01-11-2000		
		US-6,014,655		Fujiwara et al.	
		US-6,014,657		Weida et al.	
		US-6,014,665	01-11-2000	Culliss	
		US-6,028,605		Conrad et al.	
		US-6,029,195	02-22-2000		
		US-6,038,560	03-14-2000	Wical	
		US-6,038,574		Pitkow et al.	
		US-6,070,162		Miyasaka et al.	
	AL2	US-6,112,186	08-29-2000		
	AM2	US-6,144,958		Ortega et al.	
	AN2*	US-6,236,985		Aggarwal et al.	
	AO2°	US-6,240,378		Imanaka et al.	
		US-6,240,409	05-29-2001		
		US-6,243,713		Nelson et al.	
	AR2*	US-6,263,334		Fayyad et al.	
		US-6,269,368	07-31-2001		
		US-6,272,507	08-07-2001		
		US-6,289,354		Aggarwal et al.	
		US-6,301,577		Matsumoto et al.	
	AW2	US-6,317,741	11-13-2001	Burrows	<u></u>
	AX2°	US-6,339,767	01-15-2002	Rivette et al.	
		US-6,385,602	05-07-2002	Tso et al:	
		US-6,397,221	05-28-2002	Greef et al.	
	AA3°	US-6,446,068	09-03-2002	Kortge	
		US-6,519,618	02-11-2003	Snyder	
		US-6,611,825	08-26-2003	Billheimer et al.	
		US-6,633,868	10-14-2003	Min et al.	
		US-6,647,391	11-11-2003	Smith et al.	
	AF3*	US-6,697,801	02-24-2004	Eldredge et al.	·
		US-6,763,351	07-13-2004	Subramaniam et al.	
		US-6,845,354	01-18-2005	Kuo et al.	
	AI3*	US-6,853,982	02-08-2005	Smith et al.	

	FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS								
Examiner Initials*	Cite No.1	Foreign Patent Document Country Code ³ -Number ⁴ -Kind Code ⁸ (if known)	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Cotumns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear				
Examiner Signature 5566810		can	M/	Date Considered	2118/08				

PTO/SB/08a/b (07-05)
Approved for use through 07/31/2006. OMB 0651-0031
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE espond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Subatilista	e for form 1449A/I	R/PTO		Complete if Known		
Sobsiliote	3 101 101111 1443701	BF10		Application Number	09/961131-Conf. #4504	
INFO	ORMATIC	ON DIS	CLOSURE	Filing Date	September 21, 2001	
			PPLICANT	First Named Inventor	David J. Gourley	
• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	—			Art Unit	2162	
	(Use as man	y sheets as r	iecessary)	Examiner Name	C. Y. T. Truong	
heet	3	of	3	Attorney Docket Number	0109878.00124US1	

"EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw fine through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. "CITE NO.: Those application(s) which are marked with an single asterisk (*) next to the Cite No. are not supplied (under 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2)(iii)) because that application was filed after June 30, 2003 or is available in the IFW. "Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional)." See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. "Enter Office that issue the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). "For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document." Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. "Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached."

-		NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS	
Examiner Initials	Cite No.1	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.	· T²
	CA	Amato, et al., "Region proximity in metric spaces and its use for approximate similarity search", ACM Trans. In. System, (2003), Vol. 21(2), pp. 192-227	
	СВ	BERGSTROM, "A family of delphi components for case-based reasoning", Proceedings 11th IEEE International Conference on Chicago, (1999), pp. 153-160	
	CC	BEYER et al., "When is 'Nearest Neighbor' meaningful", Proceedings of the 7th International Conference on Database Theory", (1999)	
	CD	DIAMANTINI et al., "A conceptual indexing method for content-based retrieval", Database and Expert Systems Applications. Proceedings Tenth Workshop on Florence Italy, (1999), pp. 192-197	
	CE	GUHA et al., "ROCK: A robust clustering algorithm for categorical attributes", Data Engineering Proceedings 15th International Conference on Sidney, (1999), pp. 512-521	
	CF	GUTTMAN, "R-Trees: A dynamic index structure for spatial searching", Proceedings of the ACM SIG-MOD Conference, (1984)	
	CG	HAN-JOON, K. et al., "An effective document clustering method using user-adaptable distance metrics.", SAC. (2002), 16-20	
	СН	HONGYAN JING, "Information retrieval based on context distance and morphology", Proceedings of the 22nd annual international ACM SIGIR conference on Research and Development in information retrieval pp. 90-96, August 1999	
	СІ	HINNEBURG et al., "What is the nearest neighbor in high dimensional spaces", Proceedings of the 26th VLDB Conference, (2000)	
	CJ	MILLER et al., "DataWeb: Customizable Database Publishing for the Web" IEEE Multimedia, 4(4):14-21(1997)	
	СК	MILLER et al., "Integrating Hierarchical Navigation and Querying: A User Customizable Solution" ACM Multimedia Workshop on Effective Abstractions in Multimedia Layout, Presentation, and Interaction, San Francisco, CA, November (1995).	
	CL	PI-SHENG, "Using case-based reasoning for decision support", Proceedings of the 27th Annual Hawaii International Conference on System Sciences, (1994), pp. 552-561	
	СМ	SALTON et al., "Term-weighting approaches in automatic test retrieval", Information Processing & Management, (1988), Vol. 24(5), pp. 513-523	
;	CN	SHAMOS et al., "Closest-point problems", Proceedings of the 16th Annual Symposium on Foundations of Computer Science, IEEE (1975)	
	СО	Yahoo!, Copyright 1999 Yahoo! Inc., http://www4.yahoo.com/>.	
	СР	Yahoo 1996 (Exhibit 12-16)	

*EXAMINER: initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

Examiner Signature	can	\sim \sim \sim \sim \sim	Date Considered	2	18708	
5566810		V			•	

	Application Number		09961131	
			2001-09-21	
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE	First Named Inventor	Adam	J. FERRARI	
STATEMENT BY APPLICANT	Art Unit		2162	
(Not for submission under 37 CFR 1.99)	Examiner Name	C. Y.	T. Truong	
	Attorney Docket Num	ber	0109878.00124US1	

				U.S.I	PATENTS	
Examiner Initial*	Cite No	Patent Number	Kind Code ¹	Issue Date	Name of Patentee or Applicant of cited Document	Pages,Columns,Lines where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
c	1	4996642		1991-02-26	Неу	
	2	5671404		1997-09-23	Lizee et al.	
	3	5706497		1998-07-06	Takahashi et al.	
	4	5787422		1998-07-28	Tukey et al.	
	5	5924105		1999-07-13	Punch, III et al.	
	6	6012066		2000-01-04	Discount et al.	
	7	6049797		2000-04-11	Guha et al.	
	8	6092049		2000-07-18	Chislenko et al.	•

Application Number		09961131		
Filing Date		2001-09-21		
First Named Inventor	Adar	n J. FERRARI		
Art Unit		2162		
Examiner Name	C. Y.	. T. Truong		
Attorney Docket Number		0109878.00124US1		

9	6167368		2000-12 , 26	Wacholder	
10	6266199		2001-07-24	Gillis et al.	
11	6360277		2002-03-19	Ruckley et al.	
12	6363377		2002-03-26	Kravets et al.	
13	6424971		2002-07-23	Kreulen et al.	
14	6429984	·	2002-08-06	Alex	
15	6490111		2002-12-03	Sacks	
16	6505197		2003-01-07	Sundaresan et al.	
17	6539376		2003-03-25	Sundaresan et al.	
18	6560597		2003-05-06	Dhillon et al.	
19	6563521		2003-05-13	Perttunen	

Application Number		09961131		
Filing Date		2001-09-21		
First Named Inventor Adam		J. FERRARI		
Art Unit		2162		
Examiner Name C. Y.		T. Truong		
Attorney Docket Number		0109878.00124US1		

20	6618697		2003-09-09	Kantrowitz et al.
21	6628466		2003-09-30	Alex
22	6651058		2003-11-18	Sundaresan et al.
23	6697998.		2004-02-24	Damerau et al.
24	6711585		2004-03-23	Copperman et al.
25	6735578	A1	2004-05-11	Shetty et al.
26	6778995		2004-08-17	Gallivan
27	6868411	A1	2005-03-15	Shanahan
28	6928434		2005-08-09	Choi et al.
29	6947930	A1	2005-09-20	Anick et al.
30	6978274		2005-12-20	Gallivan et al.

Application Number		09961131			
Filing Date		2001-09-21			
First Named Inventor Adam		J. FERRARI			
Art Unit		2162			
Examiner Name	C. Y.	T. Truong			
Attorney Docket Number		0109878.00124US1	•		

			·			
	31	7035864		2006-04-25	Ferrari et al.	
	32	7062483	A1	2006-06-13	Ferrari et al.	
	33	7072902	AY	2006-07-04	Kleinberger et al.	
	34	7085771	A1	2006-08-01	Chung et al.	
	35	7092936		2006-08-15	Alonso et al.	
	36	7093200	A1	2006-08-15	Schreiber et al.	
	37	7099885	A1	2006-08-29	Hellman et al.	
	38	7149732	A1	2006-12-12	Wen et al.	
If you wisl	n to ac	dd additional U.S. Paten			ease click the Add button. CATION PUBLICATIONS	
		T	U.S.P	AIENI APPLI	CATION FUBLICATIONS	
Examiner Initial*	Cite No	Publication Number	Kind Code ¹	Publication Date	Name of Patentee or Applicant of cited Document	Pages,Columns,Lines where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
·	1	20010047353		2001-11-22	Talib, et al.	
			L		1	L

Application Number		09961131		
Filing Date		2001-09-21		
First Named Inventor Adam		J. FERRARI		
Art Unit		2162		
Examiner Name	C. Y.	T. Truong		
Attorney Docket Number		0109878.00124US1		

2	20020051020		2002-05-02	Ferrari et al.
3	20020065857	A1	2002-05-30	Michalewicz et al.
4	20020099675	A1	2002-07-25	Agrafiotis et al.
5	20020152204		2002-10-17	Ortega, et al.
6	20030101187	A1	2003-05-29	Gaussier et al.
7	20030110181	A1	2003-06-12	SCHUETZE et al.
8	20030120630	A1	2003-06-26	Tunkelang
9	20040205448	A1	2004-10-14	Grefenstette et al.
10	20040243554	A1	2004-12-02	Broder et al.
11	20040243557	A1	2004-12-02	Broder et al.
12	20050022114		2005-01-27	Shanahan et al.

		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
Application Number		09961131		
Filing Date		2001-09-21		
First Named Inventor Adam		J. FERRARI		
Art Unit		2162		
Examiner Name	C. Y.	T. Truong		
Attorney Docket Number		0109878.00124US1		

						_				
	13	20050097088		2005-05	-05	Bennett et al.				
	14	20050108212	A1	2005-05	-19	Karimisetty et	al.			
	15	20060031215	A1	2006-02	-09	Pong Robert				
If you wish	n to ac	dd additional U.S. Publi	shed Ap					d butto	n.	
				FOREIC	SN PAT	ENT DOCUM	ENTS	· I		
Examiner Initial*	Cite No	Foreign Document Number ³	Country Code ²		Kind Code ⁴	Publication Date	Name of Patente Applicant of cited Document		Pages,Columns,Lines where Relevant Passages or Relevan Figures Appear	T5
	1	0676705	EP	\		1995-10-11	US West Technolog	gies,		
	2	0918295	EP			1999-05-26	Yahoo			
	3	0795833	EP			1997-09-17	Mannesmann			
	4	0196064	EP			1986-10-01	Hitachi, Ltd.			
	5	11250107	JP			1999-09-17	Adobe Systems Inc) .		
	6	11296547	JP			1999-10-29	Seiko Epson Corp	1		

Application Number		09961131		
Filing Date		2001-09-21		
First Named Inventor Adam		J. FERRARI		
Art Unit		2162		
Examiner Name C. Y.		T. Truong		
Attorney Docket Number		0109878.00124US1		

					•		
	7 -	0903,4901	JP		1997-02-07	Meidensha Electric Mfg. Co. Ltd.	
	8	10134063	JP		1998-05-22	Nippon Electric Co.	
	9	2297179	GB		1996-07-24	Nippon Telegraph and Telephone Corporation	
	10	2293667	GB		1996-04-30	Intermation Ltd.	
	11	90/04231	wo		1990-04-19	Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing Company	
	12	96/27161	wo		1996-09-06	Informations Medicales ET Statistiques	
	13	97/36251	wo		1997-10-02	Critical Thought, Inc.	
	14	98/20436	wo		1998-05-14	Natrificial LLC	
	15	01/67225	wo		2001-09-13	Kanisa, Inc.	
	16	02/097671	wo	A2	2002-12-05 •	Endeca Technologies, Inc.	
If you wish	n to ac	dd additional Foreign P	atent Document	citation	information pl	ease click the Add button	
			NON-PATEN	NT LITE	RATURE DO	CUMENTS	

Application Number		09961131		
Filing Date		2001-09-21		
First Named Inventor Adam		J. FERRARI		
Art Unit		2162		
Examiner Name	C. Y.	T. Truong		
Attorney Docket Number		0109878.00124US1		

Examiner Initials*	Cite No	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc), date, pages(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.	T 5
·	1	BEAUDOIN et al., "Cheops: A Compact Explorer For Complex Hierarchies", IEEE, pp 87-92 (1996)	
	2	BIRD et al., "Content-Driven Navigation of Large Databases", The Institution of Electrical Engineers, 1996, pgs. 13/1 - 13/5	
	3	CAREY, M. et al., "Info Navigator: A Visualization Tool for Document Searching and Browsing", Proceedings International Conference Distributed Multimedia Systems", (DMS Sept. 2003) pp. 23-28	
	4	CHEN et al., "Internet Browsing and Searching: User Evaluations of Category Map and Concept Space Techniques", Wiley InterScience: Journal:Abstract, January 6, 1999	
	5	Chen et al., "Internet Browsing and Searching: User Evaluations of Category Map and Concept Space Techniques," Journal of the American Society for Information Science, Vol 49, pp. 582-603 (1998)	
	6	Chen et al., "Object Signatures For Supporting Efficient Navigation In Object-Oriented Databases", Proceeding of the 32nd Hawaii International Conference on System Sciences, IEEE, pp. 502-507 (1997)	
	7	CHEN et al., "Online Query Refinement on Information Retrieval Systems" A Process Model of Searcher/System Interactions", MID Department, University of Arizona, pp. 115-133 (1990)	
	8	CILIBRASI, R. et al., "Automatic Meaning Discovery Using Google", 31 pages, www.bsik-bricks.nl/events/ab/google_abstract.html.www.arxiv.org/abs/cs.CL0412098 (2004)	
	9	ELLIS, GP et al., "HIBROWSE for Hotels: bridging the gap between user and system views of a database", extracts from a paper giving an overview of the HIBROWSE for Hotels application.http://web.archive.org/web/19991109234626"//.hud.ac.uk/school4 pages	
	10	European Search Authority, European Search Report for European Application No 02773183.5 mailed October 15, 2007	

Application Number		09961131		
Filing Date		2001-09-21		
First Named Inventor	Adam	J. FERRARI		
Art Unit		2162		
Examiner Name	C. Y.	T. Truong		
Attorney Docket Number		0109878.00124US1		

11	European Search Authority, European Search Report for European Patent Application No. 01945997.3, dated May 23, 2007, 6 pages	
12	FUA et al., "Structure-Based Brushes: A Mechanism For Navigating Hierarchically Organized Data and Information Spaces", IEEE Transactions on Visualization and Computer Graphics, Vol. 6, No. 2, pp. 150-159, April-June 2000	
13	GARCIA-MOLINA et al., "The Query Compiler" Database System Implementation, 2000, Prentice Hall, Upper Saddle River, NJ, USA, XP002423997, pp. 329-364	
14	GIL et al., "A Visual Interface and Navigator for the P/FDM Object Database", Department of Computing Science, University of Aberdeen, IEEE, pp. 54-63 (1999)	
15	HAN et al., "Join Index Hierarchy: An Indexing Structure For Efficient Navigation In Object-Oriented Databases", IEEE Transactions on Knowledge and Data Engineering, Vol. 11, No. 2, pp. 321-337, March/April 1999	
16	HEARST, M. et al., "Integrating Browsing & Search Relevance Feedback", SIMS 202, UC Berkeley, SIMS, Fall 1999, 2 pages	
17	HEARST, M. "Chapter 10: User Interfaces and Visualization", Modern Information Retrieval, Yates and Ribeiro-Neto (1999) pp. 257-340	
18	HEARST, M. et al., "Using MetaData in Search: Combining Browsing and Search", 39 slides, http://www2.sims.berkeley.edu/courses/is202/f98/Lecture27/sld001.htm	
19	http://www.searchtools.com/tools/endeca.html, Search Tools Product Report, "Endeca Faceted Metadata Search and Browse", 2 pages, updated 10 July 2003	
20	HUA et al., "Object Skeletons: An Efficient Navigation Structure for Object-Oriented Database Systems", IEEE, pp. 508-517 (1994)	
21	International Searching Authority, International Search Report for PCT/03/31770, mailed June 29, 2004	

Application Number		09961131
Filing Date		2001-09-21
First Named Inventor	Adam	J. FERRARI
Art Unit		2162
Examiner Name	C. Y.	T. Truong
Attorney Docket Number		0109878.00124US1

22	International Searching Authority, International Search Report for PCT/US2006/043538, mailed 3/26/07, 12 pages	
23	KUMMAMURU et al., "A Hierarchical Monothetic Document Clustering Algorithm for Summarization and Browsing Search Results", WWW2004, pp. 658-665, May 17-22, 2004	
24	MCENEANEY, John E., "Visualizing and Assessing Navigation in Hypertext", Hypertext 99, Darmstadt Germany, pp. 61-70 (1999)	
25	MILLER, Renee J., "Using Schematically Heterogeneous Structures", Department of Computer and Information Science, Ohio State University, 1998, pg. 189-200	
26	MILLS, J., "The Problem of arrangement in a Library", A Modern Outline of Library Classification", Chapman & Hall Ltd, pp. 1-8, 1960	
27	Pollitt A.S., "Intelligent Interfaces to online Databases", Expert Systems for Information Management, Vol. 3, No. 1, pp. 49-69, 1990	
28	POLLITT et al., "Faceted-Classification as Pre-Coordinated Subject Indexing: Multi-Dimensional Searching for OPAC Users", Oslo College, 6-7 May 1998	
29	POLLITT et al., "MenUse for Medicine: End-User Browsing and Searching of MEDLINE via the MeSH Thesaurus", Int. Forum Inf. and Docum., pp. 547-573, 1988	
30	POLLITT et al., "MenUse for Medicine: End-User Browsing and Searching of MEDLINE via the MeSH Thesaurus", Int. Forum Inf. and Docum., Vol. 13, No. 4, pp. 11-17, October 1998	
31	POLLITT et al., "Multilingual access to document databases", CAIS/ACSI '93 Information as a Global Commodity - Communication, Processing and Use, Proceedings of the 21st Annual Conference of the Canadian Association for Information Science, pp. 128-140, Antigonish, Nova Scotia Canada, July 1993	
32	POLLITT, A. S. et al., "View-based searching systems - a new paradigm for information retrieval based on faceted classification and indexing using mutually constraining knowledge-based views", The Interface Design, 6 pages	

Application Number	•	09961131		
Filing Date		2001-09-21		
First Named Inventor	Adam	J. FERRARI		
Art Unit		2162		
Examiner Name	C. Y.	T. Truong		
Attorney Docket Numb	er	0109878.00124US1		

		\	
3	33	POLLITT, A.S., "A rule-based system as an intermediary for searching cancer therapy literature on MEDLINE", Intelligent Information Systems: Progress and Prospects, pp. 82-126, 1986	
3	34	POLLITT, A.S., "An Expert Systems Approach to Document Retrieval, A thesis submitted to the Council for National Academic Awards in partial fulfillment of the requirements for the degree Doctor of Philosophy", May 1986	
3	35	POLLITT, A.S., "Expert Systems and the Information Intermediary. Tackling Some of the Problems of Naive End-User Search Specification and Formulation", Intelligent Information Systems for the Information Society, pp. 100-108, 1986	
3	36	POLLITT, A.S., "Information Storage and Retrieval Systems, Origin, Development and Applications, Ellis Horwood Books in Information Technology, 1989	
3	37	POLLITT, A.S., "Reducing complexity by rejecting the consultation model as a basis for the design of expert systems", Expert Systems, Vol. 3, No. 4, pp. 234-238, October 1986	
3	38	POLLITT, A.S., "Taking a different view", British Library research, Library Technology, Vol. 1, Nov. 1, 1996	
3	39	POLLITT, A.S., "The key role of classification and indexing in view-based searching", Centre for Database Access Research, University of Huddersfield, UK, Abstract, 8 pages	
4	40	POLLITT, Example from EMBASE entitled "Screen Shots from View-based searching with HIBROWSE", (1998)	
4	1 1	POLLITT, excerpt from "Prospects for using Dewey Classification in a View-based Searching OPAC Dewey Decimel Classification: Possibilities in View-based Searching OPAC", (1998)	
4	12	POLLITT, S., "CanSearch: An Expert Systems Approach to Document Retrieval", Information Processing & Management, Vol. 23, No. 2, pp. 119-138, (1987)	
4	13	PRISS, U. et al., "Utilizing Faceted Structures for Information Systems Design", School of Library and Information Science, Indiana University Bloomington, pp. 1-12	

Application Number		09961131
Filing Date		2001-09-21
First Named Inventor	Adam	J. FERRARI
Art Unit		2162
Examiner Name	C. Y.	T. Truong 、
Attorney Docket Numb	er	0109878.00124US1

	44	RAMASWAMI et al., "Navigating a Protection-Engineering Data Base", IEEE, pp. 27-32, April 1989				
	45	Screenshots from "View based searching with HIBROWSE", http://www.jbi.hio.no/bibin/kurs/korg98/oslo2.ppt, 10 pages				
	TREGLOWN, M. et al., "HIBROWSE for Bibliographic Databases: A study of the application of usability techniques in view-based searching", British Library Research and Innovation Report 52, The University of Huddersfield, April 1997					
	47	TU et al., "Agent Technology for Website Browsing and Navigation", Proceedings of the 32nd Hawaii International Conference on Systems Sciences", IEEE , pp. 110, 1999				
	48 TURINE et al., "A Navigation-Oriented Hypertext Model Based on Statecharts", Hypertext 97, Southampton UK, 1997					
	49	VELEZ et al., "Fast and Effective Query Refinement", SIGIR 1997, pgs. 6-15				
,	50					
If you wis	h to ac	dd additional non-patent literature document citation information please click the Add button				
		EXAMINER SIGNATURE				
Examiner Signature Date Considered 418108						
*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through a citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.						
¹ See Kind Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.USPTO.GOV or MPEP 901.04. ² Enter office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ³ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁴ Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. ⁵ Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language translation is attached.						

Application Number		09961131		
Filing Date		2001-09-21		
First Named Inventor	Adam	J. FERRARI		
Art Unit		2162		
Examiner Name C. Y.		T. Truong		
Attorney Docket Numb	er	0109878.00124US1	_	

	1	Weiland et al., "A graphical query interface based on aggregation/generalization hierarchies," Information systems, Vol. 18, No.4, pp. 215-232 (1993)					
	2	XIONG et al., "Taper: A Two-Step Approach for All-Strong-Pairs Correlation Query in Large Databases", IEEE Transactions on Knowledge and Data Engineering, Vol. 18, No. 4, April 2006, pgs. 493-508					
	3	YOO et al., "Towards A Relationship Navigation Analysis", Proceedings of the 32nd Hawaii International Conference on System Sciences", IEEE , pp.1-10, (2000)					
If you wish	h to ac	d additional non-patent literature document citation information please click the Add button					
		EXAMINER SIGNATURE					
Examiner	Signa	ture Date Considered 2/19/08					
*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through a citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.							
Standard ST Kind of doo	r.3). ³ F cument	USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. ² Enter office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO or Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. ⁵ Applicant is to place a check mark here anslation is attached.					

PTO/SB/08a/b (07-05)

Approved for use through 07/31/2006. OMB 0651-0031 U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to

Substitute for form 1449A/B/PTO

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

(Use as many sheets as necessary)

Sheet

	Complete if Known	,
Application Number	09/961131-Conf. #4504	
Filing Date	September 21, 2001]
First Named Inventor	Adam J. FERRARI]
Art Unit	NA 2162]
Examiner Name	Not Yet Assigned Cam? Y TAUG	NG
Attorney Docket Number	0109878.00124US1	

	U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS						
Examiner Initials*	Cite No.1	Document Number Number-Kind Code ² (if known)	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear		
CU	AA*	US-6,763,349-B1	07-13-2004	Sacco			

	FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS									
Examiner	Cite	Foreign Patent Document	Publication Date	Name of Patentee or	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages					
Initials*	No.'	ountry Code ³ -Number ⁴ -Kind Code ⁵ (if known)		Applicant of Cited Document	or Relevant Figures Appear	۳ —				
		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·								

*EXAMINER: Initial II reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. * CITE NO.: Those application(s) which are marked with an single asterisk (*) next to the Cite No. are not supplied (under 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2)(iii)) because that application was filed after June 30, 2003 or is available in the IFW. 'Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). * See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. * Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). * For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. * Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. * Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS							
Examiner Initials	Cite No.1	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.	T²				
			i				

^{*}EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

Examiner Signature	commu	Date Considered	211108
	17		

^{&#}x27;Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). Papplicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

OLF	Spec Form PT	0-1449 ORMATION	DISCLO	OSURE	Docket Number Application Number 109878.124 09/961,131				
DEC 2 2	:بيو ا	IN AN APPL			Applicant Ferrari, et al.				
Z TRAD	MARK CONT. (US				Filing Date	Group Art Unit			
17.17	Sheet	1	OF	1	September 21, 2001	2179			

		U.S	8. Patent Docume	nts		
EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
CY	6,360,227 B1	03/19/2002	Aggarwal et al.	707	102	01/29/1999
Ü	6,571,282 B1	05/27/2003	Bowman-Amuah	709	219	08/31/1999
						·

Foreign Patent Documents									
EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANS YES	LATION NO		

	·
Г	Other Documents (Including Author, Title, Date Pertinent Pages, Etc.)
	Other Documents (including Additor, Title, Date Technolit Tagos, Etc.)

EXAMINER	O MARAIN	DATE CONSIDERED	2/18/08	
	CONW			

EXAMINER: Initial if citation is considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP § 609: Draw Line through citation if not conformance and not considered. Include copy with next communication to applicant.

AUG 2. 6: 2004

Subt. Form PTO-1449

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE IN AN APPLICATION

(Use several sheets if necessary)

Docket	Num	ber
10987	78.1	24

Application Number 09/961,131

Applicant Ferrari, et al.

Filing Date

Group Art Unit

Sheet 1 OF 1

September 21, 2001

2773

		U.S	6. Patent Docume	ents		
EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
Cy	US2002/0083039	6/27/02	Ferrari, et al.	707	1	10/31/02
1	US2002/0095405	7/18/02	Fujiwara	707	3	1/18/01
	6,226,745	5/1/01	Wiederhold	713	200	
	6,466,918	10/15/02	Spiegel, et al	705	27	
	6,266,649	7/24/01	Linden, et al.	705	26	

Foreign Patent Documents									
EXAMINER	DOCUMENT	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION			
INITIAL	NUMBER	DATE			SUBCLASS	YES	NO		
cu	0 827 063 A1	3/4/98	EP						
1	1 050 830 A2	11/8/00	EP						

Other Documents (Including Author, Title, Date Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

EXAMINER

Cany

DATE CONSIDERED

2118/08

EXAMINER: Initial if citation is considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP § 609: Draw Line through citation if not conformance and not considered. Include copy with next communication to applicant.

6	TO A		SUBT	E AND DORR LLP FORM PTO-1449	109878.124 09/961,131			
		ORMATION IN AN APPI			Ferrari et al.			
EM	SHEET	EVERAL SHEE	TS IF NE	ECESSARY)	FILING DATE September 21, 2001	GROUP ART UNIT 2162		
	STILL	I		. 1	September 21, 2001	21/9_2,0		

		U	S. Patent Document	S		
EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
CU	5,418,948	5/1995	Turtle	395	600	
	5,768,578	2/1995	Kirk et al.	395	611	
	6,167,397	12/2000	Jacobson et al.	707	5	
1	6,260,008	7/2001	Sanfilippo	704	9	
	6,356,899	3/2002	Chakrabarti et al.	707	5	,
	6,424,983	7/2002	Schabes et al.	707	533	
	6,480,843	11/2002	Li	707	5	
	6,483,523	11/2002	Feng	345	745	
	6,035,294	3/2000	Fish	707	2	

	Foreign Patent Documents										
EXAMINER	DOCUMENT	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRAN	SLATION				
INITIAL	NUMBER					YES	NO				
		ļ	l I								

		Other Documents (Including Author, Title, Date Pertinent Pages, Etc.)
લ્યુ	A 1	PriceSCAN.com, Your Unbiased Guide to the Lowest Price on Books, Computers, Electronic, Copyright 1997-1999, http://web.archive.org/web/19991117123352/http://www.pricescan.com/ , pages 1-8
.—		

EXAMINER CAMU	DATE CONSIDERED 2/18/08
EXAMINER: Initial if citation is considered, whether or not citat conformance and not considered. Include copy with next commun	on is in conformance with MPEP § 609: Draw Line through citation if not ication to applicant.

0,111	Sup Form PTC		I DISCL	Docket Number Application Numb 109878.124 09/961,131			
MAR 1 1 MINFORMATION DISCLOSURE IN AN APPLICATION (Use several sheets if necessary)					Applic Ferrari,		
O THAD	(000	ocroidi on			Filing Date	Group Art Unit	
·	Sheet	1	OF	1	September 21, 2001	2 179 2162	

	U.S. Patent Documents									
EXAMINER INITIAL	I WE WILL I GLASS I SUDULASS I									

Foreign Patent Documents										
EXAMINER	SUBCLASS	TRANS	LATION							
INITIAL	NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	GODOLAGO	YES	NO			
cu	(U) WO 01/67300 Sep. 13, 2001 PCT									

Other Documents (Including Author, Title, Date Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

Pollitt, et al. "View-Based Searching Systems – Progress Towards Effective
Disintermediation" Online Information Meeting Proceedings, (1996) pp. 433-445

RECEIVED
MAR 1 2 2003
Technology Center 2100

EXAMINER		DATE CONSIDERED	011111000	
	CAMMI		2418108	

EXAMINER: Initial if citation is considered, whether of not citation is in conformance with MPEP § 609: Draw Line through citation if not conformance and not considered. Include copy with next communication to applicant.

Subt. Form PTO-1449

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE IN AN APPLICATION

Docket Number 109878.124 Application Number 09/961,131

Applicant Ferrari, et al.

PEB 1 5 2002

(Use several sheets if necessary)

Filing Date

Group Art Unit

eet 1

September 21, 2001

2773

		U.S.	. Patent Docume	ents		•
EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NUMBER	PUB. DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
Cy	us 2001/0044758	Nov. 22, 2001	Talib, et al.	705	27	March 30, 2001
	US 2001/0044837	Nov. 22, 2001	Talib, et al.	709	219	March 30, 2001
	US 2001/0047353	Nov., 29, 2001	Talib, et al.	707	3	March 30, 2001
	US 2001/0049677	Dec. 6, 2001	Talib, et al.	707	3	March 30, 2001
	US 2001/0049674	Dec. 6, 2001	Talib, et al.	707	1	March 30, 2001

1

	Foreign Patent Documents								
EXAMINER	DOCUMENT	DATE	COUNTRY	CHACC	CLIBCLACE	TRANS	LATION		
INITIAL	NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	YES	NO		

Other Documents (Including Author, Title, Date Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

EXAMINER

cum

DATE CONSIDERED

211418

EXAMINER: Initial if citation is considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP § 609: Draw Line through citation if not conformance and not considered. Include copy with next communication to applicant.

Subt. Form P	TO-1449 ORMATION	DISCLO	OSUBEO 1 P	E	Docket Number 109878.124	Application Number 09/961,131
	IN AN APPL se several shee	LICATIO	ON (IIIN) NC	7002 8	Applio Ferrari,	
Sheet	1	OF	\'/\	DBW.R.	Filing Date tember 21, 2001	Group Art Unit 2773 216 L

	U.S. Patent Documents										
EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE					
CH	5,715,444	Feb. 3, 1998	Danish, et al.	395	604						
	5,983,219	Nov. 9, 1999	Danish, et al.	707	3						

Foreign Patent Documents								
EXAMINER	DOCUMENT	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	ASS SUBCLASS		LATION	
INITIAL	NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	YES	NO	

Other Documents (Including Author, Title, Date Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

RECEIVED

JUN 2 4 2002

Technology Center 2100

EXAMINER DATE CONSIDERED 218108

EXAMINER: Initial if citation is considered, whether of not citation is in conformance with MPEP § 609: Draw Line through citation if not conformance and not considered. Include copy with next communication to applicant.

Docket Number Application Number Subt. Form PTO-1449 109878.124 09/961,131 INFORMATION DISCLOSURE Applicant IN AN APPLICATION Ferrari, et al. AUG 1 (Use several sheets if necessary) Filing Date **Group Art Unit** -2778 216Z OF September 21, 2001 1

		U.	S. Patent Docume	ents		
EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
Cej	5,644,740	7/1/97	Kiuchi	395	357	
	6,418,429	7/9/02	Borovoy, et al.	707	3	

		Fore	ign Patent Docur	nents			
EXAMINER	DOCUMENT	5475	COUNTRY	01.400	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION	
INITIAL	NUMBER	DATE		CLASS		YES	NO
	WO 00/36529	6/22/00	PCT	<u> </u>			
	0 694 829 A1	1/31/96	EP				
	0 694 829 B1	5/2/02	EP				

		Other Documents (Including Author, Title, Date Pertinent Pages, Etc.)
04)	A1	Hearst, M., et al. "Cat-a Cone: An Interactive Interface for Specifying Searches and Viewing Retrieval Results Using A Large Category Hierarchy" Ann. Int. ACM-SIGIR Conf. On Res. And Dev. In Information Retrieval, (1997) pp. 246-255
1	A2	Pedersen, G. S., "A Browser For Bibliographic Information Retrieval Based On An Application Of Lattice Theory" <i>Proc. Of the Ann. Int. SCM SIGIR Conference on Res. And Dev. In Information Retrieval</i> , (1993), pp. 270-279
	АЗ	Story, G. A., et al., "The RightPages Image-Based Electronic Library for Alerting and Browsing" Computer, (1992), Vol. 25(9), pp. 17-25
	A4	Allen, R. B., "Two Digital Library Interfaces That Exploit Hierarchical Structure" <i>Electronic Publishing</i> (1995) 8 pages
	A5	Allen, R. B., "Retrieval From Facet Spaces" <i>Electronic Publishing</i> (1995), Vol. 8(2&3), pp. 247-257
	A6	Agosti, m., et al. "Issues of Data Modelling in Information Retrieval" <i>Electronic Publishing</i> , (1991), Vol. 4(4) pp. 219-237

RECEIVED

AUG 1 6 2002

Technology Center 2100

EXAMINER 2 22 2 2 4	/	DATE CONSIDERED
1 COVVIII		2/18708
EXAMINER: Initial if citation is considered, whether or if not conformance and not considered. Include copy with		on is in conformance with MPEP § 609: Draw Line through citation

Subt. Form PTO-1449

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE IN AN APPLICATION

Docket Number 109878.124 Application Number 09/961,131

Applicant Ferrari, et al.

(Use several sheets if necessary)

Filing Date

Group Art Unit

Sheet

OF

September 21, 2001

2173 2162

		U.S	. Patent Docume	ents		
EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NUMBER	PUB/PAT DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
Cix	US2002/0091696	7/11/02	Craft, et al.	707	10	1/4/99
	6,094,650	7/25/00	Stoffel, et al.	707	3	.•
	5,983,220	11/9/99	Schmitt	707	5	

1

Foreign Patent Documents								
EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE COUNTRY		CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANS YES	LATION NO	

		Other Documents (Including Author, Title, Date Pertinent Pages, Etc.)
04	A1	Pollitt, et al. "HIBROWSE For Bibliographic Databases" Journal of Information Science,), (1994), Vol. 20 (6), pp. 413-426
W	A2	Baeza-Yates, et al., "New Approaches to Information Management: Attribute-Centric Data Systems" Proceedings Seventh International Symposium on String Processing and Information Retrieval, (2000), pp. 17-27

RECEIVED

OCT 2 8 2002

Technology Center 2100

EXAMINER

EXAMINER: Initial if citation is considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP § 609: Draw Line through citation if not conformance and not considered. Include copy with next communication to applicant.

PTO/SB/08A (08-03)

Approved for use through 07/31/2006. OMB C651-0031 U.S. Petent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

der the Papenvork Reduction Act of 1995, no person are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number. Complete if Known **Application Number** 09/961,131 INFORMATION DISCLOSURE Filing Date September 21, 2001 First Named Inventor Ferrari, et al

STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

(Use as many sheets as necessary)

2179 **Examiner Name** CHUONG: Truc T Sheet of Attorney Docket Number 109878.124

Art Unit

		U.	S. PATENT DOCUM	MENTS	
Examiner	Cite	Document Number	Publication Date	Name of Patentee or Applicant	Pages, Columns, Lines,
Initials* No.	No.	Number-Kind Code ^{2(ff known)}	MM-DD-YYYY	of Cited Document	Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
cu		4,879,648	11/7/1989	Cochran, et al.	
ľ		5,206,949	4/27/1993	Cochran, et al.	
		5,768,581	6/16/1998	Cochran	
		6,345,273	2/5/2002	Cochran	
		6,453,315	9/17/2002	Weissman, et al.	
		US 2004/0117366 A1	6/1720/04	Ferrari, et al.	

	FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS							
Examiner Initials*	Cite No.1	Document Number	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant	Pages, Columns, Lines,			
muais	140.	Number-Kind Code ^{2(ff known)}	IVIIVI-DD-1111	of Cited Document	Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear			
OJ.		EP 0 597 630 A1	5/181994	Conquest Software, Inc.				
1		WO 03/027902 A1	4/3/2003	Endeca Technologies, Inc.				

Examiner, Signature Considered

**EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in commance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. 'Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). 'See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. 'Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). 'For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. 'Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST. 16 if possible. 'Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is established to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.